



FY 2010 Intercity Passenger Rail (IPR)

Overview

As appropriated by the Department of Homeland Security Appropriations Act, 2010 (Public Law 111-83), and authorized by Section 1513 of the Implementing Recommendations of the 9/11 Commission Act of 2007 (the 9/11 Act). The Intercity Passenger Rail – Amtrak (IPR) is one of five grant programs that constitute the Department of Homeland Security's (DHS) Fiscal Year (FY) 2010 focus on transportation infrastructure security activities. These grant programs are part of a comprehensive set of measures authorized by Congress and implemented by the Administration to help strengthen the Nation's critical infrastructure against risks associated with potential terrorist attacks. The IPR is an important component of the Department's effort to enhance the security of the Nation's critical infrastructure. The FY 2010 IPR Program provides funding to the National Passenger Rail Corporation (Amtrak) to create a sustainable, risk-based effort to protect critical surface transportation infrastructure and the traveling public from acts of terrorism within the Amtrak rail system.

In Fiscal Year 2010, DHS awarded \$14.6 million to protect critical surface transportation infrastructure and the traveling public from acts of terrorism

Funding

In FY 2010, the total amount of funding distributed under this grant program was \$20 million. FY 2010 IPR funds were awarded to support the creation of a sustainable, risk-based effort to protect critical surface transportation infrastructure and the traveling public from acts of terrorism, major disasters, and other emergencies.

Eligibility

Amtrak was the only agency eligible to apply for the FY 2010 IPR Program funds.

Allowable Costs

The funding priorities included the following project types for the FY 2010 IPR Program:

- Protection of high-risk/high-consequence underwater and underground rail assets
- Planning
- Targeted counter-terrorism training for key frontline employees
- Use of visible, unpredictable deterrence
- Emergency preparedness drills and exercises
- Public awareness and preparedness campaigns
- Protection of other high-risk/high-consequence assets and systems that have been identified through system wide risk assessments
- Security projects in line with or addressing one or more of the 22 areas outlined in Sec. 1513 of the Implementing Recommendations of the 9/11 Commission Act of 2007 (Public Law 110-53) (the 9/11 Act)

For FY 2010 IPR, a maximum of five percent (5%) of funds awarded could be used for Management and Administration purposes associated with the grant award.

Application Process and Evaluation Criteria

The IPR program reviewer pool consisted of representatives from the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) and the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA). As part of the cooperative agreement process, Amtrak met with TSA and FEMA representatives to develop Investment Justifications that aligned with the IPR program priorities and funding allocation. Once the formal application was received, TSA subject matter experts conducted a review to determine if any changes were required to make the security value clear.